

REMARKS

Applicant appreciates the finding of allowability in claims 12, 22, and 37 and respectfully requests consideration and allowance of the subject application.

Claim Amendments

Claims 1-37 were previously pending.

Claims 12, 22, and 37 are amended.

Claims 1-11, 13-21 and 23-36 are canceled.

No new claims are added.

Claims 12, 22, and 37 are pending.

To advance prosecution of this patent application to allowance, Applicant requests that claims 1-11, 13-21 and 23-36 be canceled without prejudice. These cancellations are intended to leave only allowable claims remaining in the application. Rejection of the canceled claims is moot in view of their cancellation.

Claim 12

Applicant appreciates the finding of allowability in claim 12. Claim 12 has been rewritten in independent form to include all the limitations of base claim 1, and intervening claim 6. Applicant submits that claim 12 is now allowable, as suggested by the Examiner.

Claim 22

Applicant appreciates the finding of allowability in claim 22. Claim 22 has been rewritten in independent form to include all the limitations of base claim 14. Applicant submits that claim 22 is now allowable, as suggested by the Examiner.

Claim 37

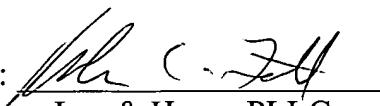
Applicant appreciates the finding of allowability in claim 37. Claim 37 has been rewritten in independent form to include all the limitations of base claim 35 and intervening claim 36. Applicant submits that claim 37 is now allowable, as suggested by the Examiner.

CONCLUSION

Applicant is grateful for the finding of allowability in claims 12, 22, and 37 and respectfully suggests that claims 12, 22, and 37 are now in condition for allowance. Should any matter in this case remain unresolved, the undersigned attorney respectfully requests a telephone conference with the Examiner to resolve any such outstanding matter.

Respectfully Submitted,

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